

FRANCE

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Country Information	<p>French people are generally very nice in Toulouse, more welcoming than people from the north.</p> <p>The city has a lot to offer, from its architecture, culture, food, language, pubs... (and Irish pubs!)</p> <p>Université Jean Jaurès offers french classes for erasmus students at any level</p> <p>Occitan is also spoken in the region and you can hear it on the metro for example, so if you're interested in languages you can take some classes! (by the university as well)</p> <p>South of France is rich in culture, and a great thing is that every first weekend of the month trains in Occitanie (the region) are only for 1€, so it's great if you want to travel, go to the beach, on a budget. I would 100% recommend it.</p>
University Information	<p>ACCOMODATION</p> <p>Crous - student accommodation, cheap but rooms can be very small and sometimes dirty</p> <p>Studapart - private accomodation, great because it gives you a list of all the things you can find in the apartment/house, but you have to pay a fee to the website</p> <p>LOCATION</p> <p>City centre can be crowded, so consider it if you want to live there</p> <p>South area near Bagatelle, Reynerie etc (where Université Jean Jaurès is) can be dangerous, especially at night time, I wouldn't recommend living there. The university is safe, but some areas around it are not</p>
Academic Advice	<p>Every module is worth a different amount of ECTS, so just be careful you're taking enough modules.</p> <p>French classes for erasmus students are worth a lot of credits so if your Erasmus coordinator is okay with you taking them it's great, they have literature classes, culture ones...</p> <p>Lectures usually last 2 hours each, so it's a bit different from Trinity and you have to get used to it. Try not to take too many classes that are worth only 3 credits because then you'll have a lot of classes and more exams.</p> <p>I would consider taking some classes from the English department, especially if your french level is not that good, because some of their classes are thought through English, and students know English pretty well so you can make friends easier, if you think that the language can be a barrier.</p>

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Duration of Exchange	Full year
Students Pathway	TJH French MAJ and Linguistics MIN Option A
Pathway Advice	Yeah I am a French maj Linguistics min student and I fulfilled my pathway requirements
Sustainability Tips	Great city if you like cycling, and it's very cheap as well. And public transports are great and run for most of the day (till 3 am on weekends and they're back at 5 am every day) so almost no need to get a car/taxi
Overall advice - Would you recommend this exchange	I think doing your Erasmus in Toulouse is a great experience, and it's something different especially from the crowded Paris (and a lot more safer in my opinion, I definitely considered safety in different cities before choosing to go to Toulouse). The people are generally nicer here, food is good, and plenty of opportunities to explore the city and the whole region while being on a budget. College can be a lot different from Trinity, mainly because they're way of doing things is more close to our secondary school (you won't have exams you can do online or research projects, but more in-person written exams). But overall it really helped me getting better at French, now I can speak it no problem, I have friends from a lot of different countries and visited most of the South of France!
Overall experience	Rating (1 (low) to 5 (high)) 4
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